authorization on or before April 17, 1996

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said amendment should on or before April 17, 1996, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 ČFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this amendment if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Avoca to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP96-300-000]

Columbia Gulf Transmission Company, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, Texas Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Application for Abandonment

April 12, 1996.

Take notice that on April 8, 1996, Columbia Gulf Transmission Company (Columbia Gulf), 2603 Augusta, STE 125, P.O. Box 683, Houston, Texas 77001–0683; Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural), 701 East

22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois 60148; Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee), Tenneco Building, P.O. Box 2511, Houston, Texas 77002; and **Texas Gas Transmission Corporation** (Texas Gas), 3800 Frederica Street, Owensboro, Kentucky 42310, herein collectively referred to as Applicants, filed a joint application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations for an order granting permission and approval to abandon certain natural gas facilities. The application is one file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Applicants propose to abandon three compressor units and associated equipment, valves and piping located on Platforms A and B, Eugene Island Block 250, Offshore Louisiana, as follows:

- Compressor 250–1 facilities located on Platform A—one 2,700 horsepower, gas-fired turbine-driven compressor unit co-owned by Texas Gas (331/3%) and Columbia Gulf (662/3%);
- Compressor 250–2 facilities located on Platform B—one 3,000 horsepower, gas-fired turbine-driven compressor unit co-owned by Natural (331/3%), Tennessee (331/3%) and Columbia Gulf (331/3%); and
- Compressor 250–3 facilities located on Platform B—one 3,500 horsepower, gas-fired turbine-driven compressor unit owned by Columbia Gulf (100%).

Applicants' state that Units 250–1 and 250–2 were installed in 1975 and Unit 250–3 was installed in 1977.

Applicants' analysis of Eugene Island Area production indicates no need for compression in the future. Applicants' state that no current services, firm or interruptible, will be terminated or adversely impacted by the proposed abandonment.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before May 3, 1996, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) and the regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party in any proceeding herein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that permission and approval for the proposed abandonment are required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Applicants' to appear or to be represented at the hearing. Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. ER96-1122-000]

NFR Power, Inc.; Notice of Issuance of Order

April 15, 1996.

On February 21, 1996, NFR Power, Inc. (NFR) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which NFR will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. NFR also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, NFR requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by NFR.

On April 2, 1996, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by NFR should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, NFR is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, indorser,